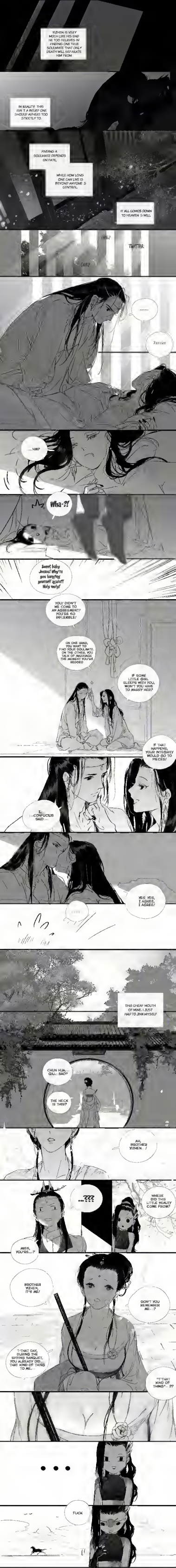
YIZHEN IS VERY MUCH LIKE HIS DAD HE TOO BELIEVES IN FINDING ONE TRUE SOULMATE THAT ONLY DEATH WILL SEPARATE HIM FROM
IN REALITY THIS ISN'T A BELIEF ONE SHOULD ADHERS TOO STRICTLY TO.
FINDING A SOULMATE DEPENDS ON FATE,
WHILE HOW LONG ONE CAN LIVE IS BEYOND ANYONE'S CONTROL.
IT ALL COMES DOWN TO HEAVEN'S WILL.
CHIRP
TWITTER
CHIRP
......
Zzzzzz
...HM?
Wha-?!
Sweet baby Jesus! Why're you hanging yourself again?! Holy moly!
YOU! DIDN'T WE COME TO AN AGREEMENT? YOU'RE SO INFLEXIBLE!
ON ONE HAND, YOU WANT TO FIND YOUR SOULMATE. ON THE OTHER, YOU TALK OF MARRIAGE THE MOMENT YOU'RE BEDDED
IF SOME LITTLE GIRL SLEEPS WITH YOU, WON'T YOU HAVE TO MARRY HER?
IF THAT HAPPENS, YOUR INTEGRITY WOULD GO TO PIECES!
I... CONFUCIUS SAID...
YES YES, I AGREE, I AGREE!
....
THIS CHEAP MOUTH OF MINE. I JUST HAD TO JINX MYSELF
CHUN HUA... QIU... BAO?
THE HECK IS THIS?
AH, BROTHER YIZHEN...!
...???
WHERE DID THIS LITTLE BEAUTY COME FROM?
MISS, YOU'RE...?
BROTHER YIZHEN, IT'S ME!
DON'T YOU REMEMBER ME...?
T-THAT DAY, DURING THE SPRING BANQUET, YOU ALREADY DID THAT KIND OF THING TO ME...
"T-THAT KIND OF THING"...??
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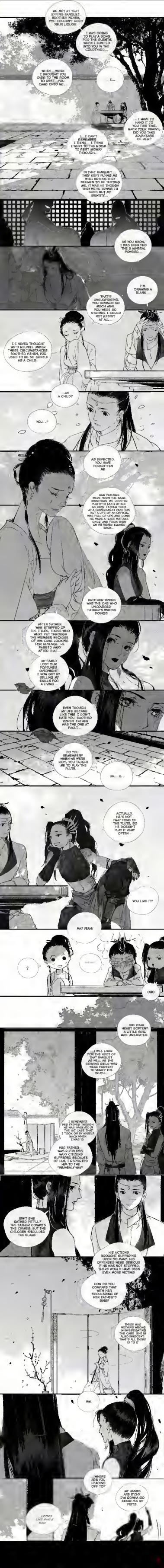
FUCK


WE MET AT THAT SPRING BANQUET. BROTHER YIZHEN, YOU COULDN'T HOLD YOUR LIQUOR.
I WAS GOING TO PLAY A SONG FOR THE GUESTS, WHEN I BUMPED INTO YOU IN THE COURTYARD...
WHEN... WHEN I BROUGHT YOU OVER TO THE ROOM TO REST, YOU CAME ONTO ME...
...I...
...I HAVE TO HAND IT TO YOU THIS TIME. RACK YOUR BRAINS, DID YOU TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HER?
I... I CAN'T REMEMBER. I THINK... I THINK I WENT TO THE ROOM TO REST MIDWAY THROUGH...
IN THAT BANQUET... THEY KEPT PLYING ME WITH DRINKS. THEY SEEMED TO BE TESTING ME. IT WAS AS THOUGH THEY WERE TRYING TO SUSS OUT MY IDENTITY...
AS YOU KNOW, I WAS EVEN FED THE 5 MINERAL POWDER...
I'M DRAWING A BLANK...
THAT'S UNSURPRISING, YOU DOWNED SO MUCH WINE. YOU WERE SO STRONG, I COULD NOT RESIST AT ALL...
I-I NEVER THOUGHT WE'D REUNITE UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES. BROTHER YIZHEN, YOU USED TO BE SO GENTLE AS A CHILD...
...AS A CHILD?
YOU...?
AS EXPECTED, YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN ME
OUR FATHERS WERE FROM THE SAME HOMETOWN. WE USED TO PLAY WITH EACH OTHER AS KIDS. FATHER TOOK UP A GOVERNMENT POSITION BUT A LIFE OF AN OFFICIAL WAS FULL OF UPS AND DOWNS. HE MADE A HUGE MISTAKE ONCE, AND FROM THEN ON HE NEVER TURNED BACK...
BROTHER YIZHEN WAS THE ONE WHO UNCOVERED FATHER'S WRONG DOINGS
AFTER FATHER WAS STRIPPED OF HIS TITLES, THOSE WHO WERE PUT THROUGH THE WRINGER BECAUSE OF HIM CAME LOOKING FOR REVENGE. HE PASSED AWAY AFTER THAT...
MY FAMILY LOST OUR FORTUNES OVERNIGHT. I NOW GET BY SELLING MY SKILLS FOR A LIVING...
EVEN THOUGH MY LIFE BECAME LIKE THIS, I DON'T HATE YOU, BROTHER YIZHEN. FATHER WAS THE ONE AT FAULT...
DO YOU REMEMBER? WHEN WE WERE KIDS, YOU TAUGHT ME TO PLAY THE FLUTE...
UH... I...
ACTUALLY, HE'S NOT THAT FOND OF THE FLUTE, SO HE DOESN'T PLAY IT VERY OFTEN...
YOU LIKE IT?
MN! YEAH!
?
OHO
DID YOUR HEART SOFTEN? A LITTLE GIRL WAS IMPLICATED
I WILL LOOK FOR THE HOST OF THAT BANQUET AS WELL AS THE SERVING GIRLS WHO WERE PRESENT TO VERIFY THE TRUTH.
I REMEMBER HER FATHER THOUGH. HE WAS INVOLVED IN THE 1ST CASE THAT I TOOK ON BY MYSELF BACK WHEN I WAS 13
HER FATHER WAS RUTHLESS. MANY CITIZENS SUFFERED BECAUSE OF HIM. I REPORTED HIM TO THE "HEAVENLY WAY"
ISN'T SHE RATHER PITIFUL? THE FATHER COMMITS THE CRIMES, BUT THE CHILDREN SHOULDER THE BLAME
HIS ACTIONS BROUGHT SUFFERING UPON SO MANY. HIS OFFENSES WERE SERIOUS. IF HE WAS NOT STOPPED, THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN EVEN MORE VICTIMS
HOW DO YOU COMPARE THAT WITH HER SHOULDERING OF HER FATHER'S SINS?
THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG IN INVESTIGATING THE CASE. SHE IS ALSO INNOCENT. THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT
HM.
WHERE ARE YOU HEADING OFF TO?
MY HANDS ARE ITCHY. I'M GONNA GO EXERCISE MY FISTS.
LOOKS LIKE SHE'S MAD

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